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FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

November has been declared as Stewardship Renewal Month in our church. We will be asking all our leaders, Sunday school teachers, youth and children, friends and members to revisit and renew the numerous possibilities and blessings that we can experience whenever we dare to give God our best.

The adults have completed an eight-week DVD-based study series (20 minutes each) on "Life's Healing Choices." It was such a positive and enjoyable presentation that I have ordered another of Pastor Rick's seven-week DVD-based series (20 minutes each), this one concerning how he interprets personal stewardship and its spiritual benefits for those persons who intentionally commit themselves to live by Christ's standards!

Several members will be presenting brief stewardship testimonials during the November morning worship services. It is always challenging and inspirational to hear another Christian's personal experience with God's standards and expectations among His most generous and thankful stewards.

Everyone will have two opportunities to make a sacred commitment to renew what God expects you to share through our church's ministries. We hope and pray that more people will complete their stewardship renewal cards and deposit them at the altar on the last two Sundays of November, the 22nd or the 29th.

If you decide to not complete a commitment card, our church will "still expect you" to do your part--based on your resources of time, talent, and money.

If we readily commit ourselves and our resources to clubs, banks, schools, pleasure excursions, cars, homes, and the list goes "on and on," why is it so difficult for us to be fully committed to Christ, especially when He invested His life's blood, suffering, and death that we might receive eternal life?

You may now ask yourself this question: What can the church and the Lord do for me--or what can I do for them?

In Christ's Service,

Rev. William T. Jowers

THANK YOU!

Sincere thanks are expressed to **Glenda Lane and Mitzie Privitt** for preparing the beautiful harvest display for the UMW's annual bazaar and spaghetti luncheon. We also thank **Betty Poteet** for the additional pumpkins around the display and front lawn.

*Note: Please notice the beautiful encore azalea bush near the south stained glass window of the sanctuary.

*Note: **Thanks to all our ladies for your time, labor, and gifts regarding the annual bazaar and spaghetti luncheon.**

VOLUNTEER CUSTODIANS NEEDED FOR NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER

If you are willing to help keep the church complex clean, please contact Glenda Lane at 855-4723 to find out which tasks are still up for grabs.

YOUTH NEWS by Jacob Ross

The UMYF youth are selling **Halloween Insurance** for \$15. If you would like to insure your house against Halloween vandalism, please see me or another youth representative about purchasing your insurance. We will be cleaning up vandalism on Sunday, November 1, from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. The money will go to support the UMYF Summer Mystery Trip.

UMW BAZAAR--THURSDAY, OCTOBER 29, 9 AM--1 PM

Tickets \$7, in the church office. Luncheon 11 AM--1PM

"GOING BACK TO BETHLEHEM"

CHILDREN'S PROGRAM ON NOV. 1, 8, 15

The Brazil, Eaton, and Gibson Wells United Methodist Churches invite all area children to a "recreated" village of Bethlehem in Brazil United Methodist Fellowship Hall. Children will be provided Bethlehem robes and will participate, as "members" of the Twelve Tribes of Israel, in activities revolving around the Bethlehem Market Place. Participants will experience weaving, grinding grain and making bread, stomping grapes for wine, pressing olives for olive oil, playing authentic games, singing and dancing to appropriate music, and snacking on foods similar to those enjoyed by Bethlehem children. Most important, children and adult leaders will remember the real meaning of Christmas and will prepare their hearts and minds for celebrating the upcoming Birthday of Jesus. Please encourage your child(ren) to join in the joy of Going Back to Bethlehem for three Sunday afternoons in November -- Nov. 1, Nov. 8, and Nov. 1-- from 2:00 until 5:00 p.m. For additional information, contact any church member or telephone 668-5850 or 225-3745.

"Leading the Small Membership Church"

On November 13 & 14, the Metro District, Jackson District, and Brownsville District are hosting, at Lambuth University, the Turner Center for Church Leadership and Congregational Development's "Leading the Small Membership Church."

Dr. M. Douglas Meeks and the Rev. J. Thomas Laney Jr., of Vanderbilt Divinity School, will lead the two day conference which will include three presentations based on materials created by Dr. Lewis Parks of Wesley Theological Seminary: "What does God See When God Looks at a Small Church; Congregation and Story"; "Vital Worship in Small Churches"; and "Spiritual Gifts in Small Churches: You Have Everything You Need."

There will also be a panel of small church leaders discussing "Building on a Sense of Abundance".

The total cost is: \$20 (no overnight stay in hotel); \$40 (to share a room with one other person); \$80 (to have your own room); three meals and materials are included.

The conference begins on Friday at 5:00 p.m. and concludes Saturday afternoon at 3:30 p.m.

To register contact Michelle Bukowski at 615-343-5447 or email her at michelle.bukowski@vanderbilt.edu for information. You may also register at www.vanderbilt.edu/turner_churchleadership

PRAYER AND CARE: Robert L. Becton (brother of Noraine Becton), Finis Carr, Thomas Cherry, Bill Goodrich, Margaret Jowers (mother of Bro. Tommy), Bobby Kilzer, Rufus Moore, Michele Phelan, Barbara Shoaf, Janice & C.B. Singleton, Nancy Smith (mother-in-law of Bro. Tommy & Beverly's son, Jeff Jowers).

HOSPITAL NEWS: Barbara Shoaf has moved to Baptist-Desoto County Rehabilitation Center, 7601 South Crest Parkway, Southaven, MS 38671; phone 1-901-606-5724. Dr. Rufus Moore in Critical Care at Vanderbilt Hospital, Nashville. Bobby Dodd Kilzer (son of Dot Kilzer) at Cane Creek, Martin, TN 38237. Marcella Webster (mother-in-law of B.J. Jones) in Intensive Care, St. Frances Hospital, Memphis.

CONGRATULATIONS to Great Grandmother Erma Dollar on her 10th great grandchild, John Patrick Dollar, born at Regional Hospital to Patrick and Callie Dollar of Jackson on October 22, 6 pounds, 10 ounces.

IN SERVICE TO OUR COUNTRY: Doug Ferguson (son of Susie & Bob Ferguson, deployed to Iraq), James Patrick Inman, Paul Michael Ross (brother of Jacob Ross), Chris Smith, Jesse Vinson (grandson of Harold & Barbara Griggs), Chais Milligan Wallsmith (son of Christy & Michael Wallsmith, son of Michelle Wallsmith, grandson of Sandy & Jimmy Milligan).

RETIREMENT HOMES: Agnes Evans, Greenbriar Meadows, 436 Hannings Lane, Martin, TN 38237; Dorothy Hardaway, Room 5, Harlan Morris Home, 400 Harlan Morris Drive, Trenton, TN. Tassie Hopkins, Bailey Park Community Living Center, 2400 Mitchell Street, Humboldt TN 38343.

IN NURSING HOMES: Finis Carr, Dyer Nursing Home, 1124 North Main Street. Von Dabbs, State Veterans Home, 2865 Main Street, Humboldt, TN 38343, information 784-8405. Charlene Lemond, Apt. 258, Trezevant Terrace, 3437 Waynoka Avenue, Memphis, TN 38111, phone 901-746-5967. Helen McCormick (stepmother of Peggy Davis) Dyer Nursing Home. Dr. T. Wilson Haynes, Summer's Landing, 2036 Hwy. 45 Bypass South, Trenton TN. Vivian Hight, Humboldt Manor, 2031 Avondale Road, Humboldt, TN 38343.

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR NOVEMBER: Clint Buchanan

USHERS FOR NOVEMBER

*Betty Denton	Pat Haltom	Janice Dickey
Sandra Snider	Becky George	Glenna Helms

GREETERS

November 1	Judy & Billy Woods
November 8	Kerri & Brad Ballentine
November 15	Dorothy & Charlie Lancaster
November 22	Donna Carr & Betty Denton

ACOLYTES

November 1	Spencer Vickers & Cade Roberts
November 8	Josey Phelan & Sydney Phelan
November 15	Maddie Vernon & Gracie Williams
November 22	Annie Bartholomew & Tyson Bartholomew

SUNDAY WORSHIP LAY READERS

November 1	Romans 12:3-12	Sammy Dickey
November 8	St. Matthew 8:5-13	TBA
November 15	TBA	TBA
November 22	TBA	TBA

CHILDREN'S SERMONS

November 1	Karin Johnson
November 8	Glenna Helms
November 15	R. B. Hodges
November 22	Andrea Joyner

FREE CONCERT NOV 6 AT DYER COUNTY HIGH GYM

The United States Army Field Band and Soldier's Chorus will present a free concert on Friday, November 6, at 7:30 p.m. in the Dyer County High School Gym. Tickets are free and are available on the table outside our church offices.

CALENDAR

Thursday, October 29 - 9:00 a.m.-2:30 p.m. - Mom's Day Out
9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. - UMW BAZAAR
11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. - UMW SPAGHETTI LUNCHEON

Friday, October 30

UMYF lock-in until 8:00 a.m. Saturday

Saturday, October 31

Midnight - DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS

Sunday, November 1--Holy Communion and All Saints Day

9:45 a.m. - Sunday School (Nursery Available)
10:50 a.m. - Worship Service (Nursery Available)
5:30 p.m. - UMYF

Monday, November 2

6:30 p.m. - Worship Committee

Tuesday, November 3 - 9:00 a.m.-2:30 p.m. - Mom's Day Out

8:00-10:00 a.m. - Free Health Clinic

Free blood pressure and fasting blood sugar testing
Be sure to come fasting for fasting blood sugar.

Wednesday, November 4

5:30 p.m. - Wonderific Wednesday

6:00 p.m. For adults: Bible Study based on Pastor Rick DVD
For children & youth: Activities upstairs

7:00 p.m. - Choir Rehearsal

ATTENDANCE OCTOBER 25, 2009

SUNDAY SCHOOL: 103 MORNING WORSHIP: 145

VISITORS IN WORSHIP, OCTOBER 25: Gina & Bobby Williams, Joe & Michele Elliott and the twins, Ann Taylor Elliott, Judy Dotson, Cal Crenshaw, Carver Crenshaw, Emma Claire Lawson. Cloe Lawson, Todd Lawson, Ava Grace Lawson, Jerry Rogers, Stan Staser, Andrea Staser, Charley Staser, Shirley McGill, Sherry Porter, Jerry & Betty Hinson, Hohner Porter, Tyler Washington, Guy & Velva House, Jennie McFadden, Allen Cunningham, Ronald & Tara Tansil-Gentry, Joyce Rollins, Betty Moss, Kelly Lambert, Peyton Lambert

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25

TO SANCTUARY DEBT ON OCTOBER 25	None
YEAR TO DATE FOR SANCTUARY DEBT:	\$3,160
OWED ON LOAN FOR PAST MAINTENANCE	\$7,690
TO YOUTH FUND ON OCTOBER 25	\$20
YEAR TO DATE FOR YOUTH FUND	\$1,827
BUDGET OFFERING ON OCTOBER 25	\$3,571.08

MEMORIALS

TO THE HANDBELL FUND

IN MEMORY OF MARK HARDAWAY

Jewell Hardaway

IN MEMORY OF LYNN BASS

Sallie & Ed King

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

4-Daniel Hodges. 6-Beverly Jowers. 6-Gil Rollins.
7-Joy Weathersbee. 8-Lennie Mai Hicks. 11-Nancy Bailey
4-Kerri Ballentine. 14-Betty Denton. 15-Berlyne Holman.
15-Bethany Crockett. 19-Dorothy Lancaster. 20-Tassie Hopkins.
22-Bailey Williams. 26-Peggy Davis. 27-Finis Carr. 30-Fred Davis.

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

3-Henry Phillips. 9-Nathan Baker. 13-Trudy Phillips. 17-Beth Lane.
19-Rachel Lambert. 20-Louise Potts. 29-Rachel Rollins